

DOORKNOCKER AWARDS HONORABLE MENTION CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OH

AWARD CATEGORY: Neighborhood Revitalization

PARTICIPATING JURISDICTION: Cuyahoga County, OH

PROJECT/PROGRAM NAME: Mixed-Use Rental Assistance Loan Program (MURAL)

Fovozzo/Turney Road Project

HUD REGION/FIELD OFFICE: Region V; Cleveland Field Office

HOME UNITS/TOTAL UNITS: 9 HOME units / 9 total units

HOME FUNDS/TOTAL FUNDS: \$135,000 HOME funds / \$423,000 total funds

PARTNERS:

City of Garfield Heights

FUNDING SOURCES:

HOME \$ 135,000
Owner's Cash \$ 50,000
Seller Mortgage Financing \$ 265,000

BRIEF NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION:

This project demonstrates how small scale mixed-use redevelopment can aid neighborhood revitalization. Another aim of MURAL is to increase the supply of standard, affordable housing by rehabilitating the living spaces above storefronts. This project is the first project developed through the use of Cuyahoga County's MURAL Program. The MURAL Program provides assistance to owners of mixed-use properties to rehabilitate these buildings, which can have a blighting effect on a neighborhood.

In the Fovozzo/Turney Road project, the County worked with owners to rehabilitate 9 residential units. Since this project began, a number of business owners have expressed an interest in the program. The small-scale approach used by Cuyahoga County makes the MURAL Project replicable.

The County uses HOME funds to rehabilitate the residential space and CDBG, through its Storefront Renovation Program, to rehabilitate the commercial space. The City of Garland Heights assisted by marketing the program to business owners.

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